

## BUSH FIRE BRIGADE FIRE CONTROL OFFICERS

### Chief Bush Fire Control Officer

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### Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer

Nick Duane 9972 6058 | 0429 726 058

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To report suspicious persons or deliberate fire lighting call Crime Stoppers on

**1800 333 000**

**[www.crimestopperswa.com.au](http://www.crimestopperswa.com.au)**

## PERMITS AND PENALTIES

### Permit Issuing Officers

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- Fire Control Officers are not obliged to issue permits.
- Permits cannot be issued over the phone
- Should a Fire Control Officer refuse to issue a permit, it is a breach of the Bush Fires Act 1954 to request a permit from another Fire Control Officer.

### Penalties

Failure to maintain a firebreak as per firebreak order \$250

Offence relating lighting a fire in the open air \$250

Setting fire to bush during prohibited burning period \$250

Failure of Occupier to extinguish a bushfire \$250

Refusal to state name and abode  
or stating a false name and abode \$100

Failure to produce permit to burn \$100

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SHIRE  
OF MINGENEW

## Fire Break Notice Section 33 B F A

**Prohibited Burning Period**  
1st November to 31st January  
**STRICTLY NO BURNING**

**Restricted Burning Period**  
1st October to 31st October  
1st February to 15th March  
**PERMITS ARE REQUIRED**



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EMERGENCY

**FIRST AND FINAL** notice is hereby served to all residents and ratepayers

Failure to install and maintain firebreaks in accordance with this notice may result in fines up to \$5,000.

## HARVESTING OPERATIONS

1. No harvesting operations are permitted on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Years Day. A separate fire fighting fire appliance is required to be present in any paddock being harvested, churning, raking stubble, straw baling and associated allied activities during restricted and prohibited periods. The fire fighting unit must be in a state of readiness and have a minimum capacity of 400 litres of water, a powered pump and hose. The farm fire fighting unit should be parked on bare ground in or near the harvesting or working area.
2. A Harvesting and Movement Ban and Use of Internal Combustion Engines (except for the watering and movement of stock) will be imposed when the actual weather conditions reach a Fire Danger rating of thirty five (35) with the maximum wind speed at the weather stations of two (2) bush fire brigades. All such bans are at the discretion of the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer or a duly appointed person.

### HARVEST BAN INFORMATION LINE 9478 5677

If a ban has been imposed, all persons registered will be sent a text message advising of details. All bans will also be broadcast on the radio.

**ABC Statewide AM  
WAFM 90.9  
Radio West 864 AM**

Notifications are also often made available on the Shire's Facebook page.

Note – Attention of landowners is drawn to the fact that this order allows for provision of firebreaks in situations other than immediately within property boundaries subject to approval. The Chief Bush Fire Control Officer and appointed Fire Control Officers have been authorised to act for Council.

### TOTAL FIRE BANS

A Total Fire Ban (TFB) may be declared on days of extreme weather or when widespread fires are seriously stretching firefighting resources.

When a TFB is declared it prohibits the lighting of any fires in the open air and any other activities that may start a fire. The ban includes all open air fires for the purpose of cooking or camping. It also includes incinerators, welding, grinding, soldering or gas cutting.

There are a number of prescribed activities under the Bush Fires Regulations 1954 which are conditionally allowed during a TFB that apply to industry, business and public authorities (not individuals). Visit [www.dfes.wa.gov.au/totalfirebans](http://www.dfes.wa.gov.au/totalfirebans) for further information on TFBs..

### BURNING ON SUNDAYS

Burning on a Sunday is allowed once the fire season has been declared **OPEN**

## BUSH FIRES ACT 1954

Notice is hereby given to all landowners/occupiers within the Shire of Mingenew that fire-breaks must be installed on or by 1st October and maintained of flammable material up to and including 15th March as per requirements in relation to Section 33 of the above.

*Properties will be inspected to ensure they comply with Council's requirements.*

### TOWNSITES

On or before 1st October, all town lots within the townsites of Mingenew and Yandanooka are required to be treated as follows:

- a. Where the area of land is less than 3,000m<sup>2</sup>, remove all flammable material from the whole of the land.
- b. Where the area of the land is 3,000m<sup>2</sup> or more, a fire-break must be provided not less than 3 metres in width inside and along the whole of the external boundaries of the properties owned or occupied. All flammable material must be cleared for a distance of 2.7m from all buildings and/or haystacks situated on the land and maintained free of such material until the 15th March.

### FUEL PUMPS (FUEL DEPOTS)

On or before the 1st October, all grass and similar material is to be cleared from such places where drum ramps are located and where drums, empty or full, are stored. Such areas are to be maintained clear of grass and similar flammable material until 15th March.

### RURAL LAND

Firebreaks must be provided not less than 2.5 metres in width inside and along the whole of the external boundaries of the properties owned or occupied. Where this is not practicable the firebreaks must be provided as near as possible to, and within, such boundaries.

### UNATTENDED FUEL OPERATED MOTORS

All flammable material must be removed from an area 3 metres in width immediately surrounding an unattended fuel operated motor, whether the motor is intended to be used or not.

### FARM BUILDINGS AND UNATTENDED ELECTRIC MOTORS AND HAY STACKS

Firebreaks must be provided at least 2.7 metres in width completely surrounding and not more than 20 metres from the perimeter of any building, group of buildings or haystacks. All flammable material must be removed from an area 2.7 metres in width immediately surrounding the building. All flammable material must be removed from an area 3 metres in width immediately surrounding an unattended electric motor site.

### BARBEQUES AND INCINERATORS

Gas and electric barbeques are permitted at any time. Solid fuel barbeques and incinerators are **PROHIBITED** on days of **VERY HIGH or EXTREME FIRE DANGER**.

### PENALTY

The penalty for failing to comply with this notice is a fine of up to \$400. A person in default is also liable, whether prosecuted or not, to pay the cost of performing the work in this notice, if it is not carried out by the owner or Occupier by the date required by this notice.

